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THE BOY'S DREAM OF WAR.

BY PROFESSOR W. N. TRUEBLOOD.

The lettered page, that told of war
And clustered camps that blazed afar,
Had fallen from his listless hand;
But in his mind the kindled fire
Of that war page burned high and higher,
And brighter flamed the battle brand.

He saw distinctly, through the storm,
A wildly fierce, exultant form
Flit here and there above the plain;
And everywhere, with shouts, it passed,
And pointed onward through the blast,
Where poured the streams of leaden rain.

And everywhere, with wilder shout
And wilder spirit, rushed the rout,
And louder roared the battle strife;
Sublime, the fires of courage burned,
Sublime, the haughty spirit spurned
All thoughts of low and coward life.

The sweeping lines were grand to see;
The booming guns—the cavalry—
A mighty tide of power were they;
And in his soul a glory sprung,
And in his ears a music rung,
The soldier's music of the fray.

Then beckoned him that shad'wy form,
And, pointing proudly to the storm
That rolled its fiery tide afar:
"Behold my throne—that sulph'rous air;
Behold my power and subjects there;
I am the mighty king of war.

"The countless hosts of earth are mine;
I ruled them in the olden time,
I sway them as I list to-day.
Behold those kings of haughty mien,—
That trample, reckless, o'er the slain,
They know the glory of my sway.

"And prince and beggar—all have knelt
Before my throne, and in them felt

The mounting joy of my renown—
All reckless trampled down the earth,
All heedless tore the ties of birth
To win my bay's unfading crown.

"Oh, glorious is the power I wield!
The earth is but a tented field,
Which battle-thunders now enfold."
He raised his arm and waved it high,
He flashed his truncheon o'er the sky,
And on the battle surges rolled.

The boy stood long with kindled soul
And watched the fiery billows roll
And dash their fury towards the sky—
The sulph'rous vapor rolling dun,
The flashing lines, the roaring gun—
And felt his spirit mounting high.

But when it passed, he turned him back,
To view the glory of its track,
And very horror stunned his soul.
A black'ning waste of rotting bones,
Of fenceless fields and fallen thrones
Stretched backward like an endless scroll.

"Oh, God!" he cried, "is this the road
Of that great king, so like a god,
That sweeps in glory through the world?"
He turned to see—and far away,
Upon the low horizon gray,
The sulph'rous war cloud madly whirled.

Upon its edge, in bold relief,
There flamed the mighty demon chief,
And waved his red arms in the air;
And on his face was written clear
The devil's scowl, the demon's leer,
And on his breast was—*Lucifer*.

RICHMOND, IND.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN PEACE SOCIETY.

The Annual Meeting of the American Peace Society met in Pilgrim Hall, Congregational House, Boston, May 8, 1893, at 2.30 P.M., with the President, Hon. Robert Treat Paine, in the chair. Prayer was offered by Rev. C. B. Smith.

Rev. G. W. Stearns was chosen secretary for the meeting. The minutes of the last Annual Meeting, May 31, 1892, were read and approved.

In the absence of the treasurer, Thomas H. Russell, his annual statement was read by Hon. W. E. Sheldon. Mr. Sheldon, who, in the absence of the auditor, Mr. D. C. Heath, had been appointed by the directors as auditor *pro tem.*, reported that he had examined the treasurer's books and found them correctly kept, with proper vouchers for all moneys expended. The two reports were approved and ordered placed on file. The treasurer's report is given below :

TREASURER'S ANNUAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, May 5, 1892,	\$49 72
From Mrs Howard, May 10, 1892,	303 23
From Trustees of Permanent Peace Fund, May 24, 1892,	1,254 36
From Murray Fund, May 24, 1892,	50 00
From Obadiah Brown Benevolent Fund, May 24, 1892,	25 00

All these receipts by former treasurer, as appears by his books,	\$1,682 31
Donations during the year,	\$298 86
For publications, advertising, etc.,	427 31
Returned by Secretary acct. expense to Berne,	25 00
Received on bond of S. H. Halsey,	250 00
Interest on same bond,	45 00
Legacy of Chas. S. Weld,	500 00
Note of F. M. Patten \$1000, one year discount,	998 83
From the Trustees of Permanent Peace Fund,	3,750 00
Coupons, Union Pacific Bond,	60 00
	6,355 00

\$8,037 31

PAYMENTS.

Amount received by Rev. R. B. Howard, Oct. 12, 1891,	\$600 00
B. F. Trueblood, Secretary's salary for May, 1892,	208 33
J. E. Farwell & Co., printing,	15 60
Mrs. Helen G. Howard, salary for May,	150 00

These payments by former treasurer, as appears by his books	\$973 93
B. F. Trueblood, expense to Berne Congress,	\$400 00
Contribution to Peace Congress, 500 francs,	97 21
To Chicago Peace Exhibit,	100 00
Printing Advocate of Peace, etc.,	1,330 29
Salaries of Secretary, etc., to May 1, 1893,	2,724 94
Rent of offices,	562 75
Safe Vault,	10 00
	5,225 19

Paid by Secretary, as per his office account, stationery, postage, mailing, printing, etc.,	\$212 85
Care of offices and sundries for office use,	212 08
Travelling expenses,	117 86
Literature for distribution and library,	54 66
Literary work, etc.,	23 00
	620 45

Invested in \$1000 C. B. & Q. R. R. Convertible Bond, with interest and brokerage,	1,041 25
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Balance of receipts,	\$7,860 82
	176 49

\$8,037 31

The Annual Report of the Directors to the Society was then read by Secretary Trueblood. The report was accepted and ordered to be printed in the *ADVOCATE OF PEACE*, as the Society's report of its year's work.

On motion the chair was asked to name a committee to bring forward names of officers for the Society for the ensuing year. Messrs. Smith, Sheldon and Bushnell were appointed as the committee and duly reported the following, who were all elected (see page 122).

On motion of W. E. Sheldon the secretary was authorized to issue between now and autumn a circular inviting religious and philanthropic societies to consider year by year in their benevolent contributions the work of the American Peace Society, and suggesting that the officers of the Society would be glad to present from time to time before such bodies the claims of the peace work.

It was voted that three prizes of one hundred, fifty and twenty-five dollars respectively be offered under the direction of the Executive Committee, to be competed for by the members of the senior and junior classes in the academic department of the colleges and universities of the United States, for the best essays on subjects connected with the peace propaganda, the subjects to be chosen by the Executive Committee.

On motion the Executive Committee were authorized to select delegates to represent the Society at the approaching World's Peace Congress, to be held at Chicago beginning August 14th and continuing one week.

After an informal discussion of various matters connected with the Society's work and the progress of the peace cause, the meeting adjourned at 4.50 P.M.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE AMERICAN PEACE SOCIETY.

Mr. President and Members of the American Peace Society:

The Directors of your Society herewith respectfully submit their report for the year 1892-93.

Since the annual meeting last year the Society has suffered the loss by death of several of its honored and valuable Vice-Presidents, most prominent among whom were the poet John G. Whittier, Bishop Phillips Brooks and Rev. A. P. Peabody. It seems fitting in the beginning of our report to call attention to the eminent services which these men rendered, each in his sphere, to the cause of human brotherhood, and to record our profound respect for their memory and our deep sense of sorrow and regret which their death has occasioned. "God buries the workmen, but the work still goes on."

ANNUAL PUBLIC MEETING.

As announced at your meeting last year, a public meeting previously arranged for by the Executive Committee was held in the First Baptist Church, Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, on Sunday evening, June 5, 1892.